### **Membership**

Membership on the local coalition should include agency / individuals involved in tobacco control through the following components:

- Community Initiatives
- School-base Initiatives
- Cessation Initiatives
- Enforcement Initiatives

Representatives should be familiar with all communities and cultures in the county.

In addition, any individual with an interest in organizing and participating in tobacco prevention and control activities may serve on the local coalition. Diversity within the coalition is important to have an impact in the communities we serve. We encourage all ages, races, religions, nationalities and backgrounds to join.

## **Coalition Members**

- Frederick County Health Department
- Frederick Memorial Hospital
- Frederick County Public Schools
- Asian American Center of Frederick
- Frederick Keys Baseball
- Hood College
- Brothers Who Care
- Boys and Girls Club of Frederick
- Family Partnership of Frederick
- Breast & Cervical Cancer Program
- Diversity Leadership Institute
- Frederick Community Action Agency
- Private Citizens

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Frederick County Smoke Free
Maryland Coalition



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# YES, I would be interested in joining the Fredrick County Smoke-Free Maryland Coalition.

Name:

Organization Name:

Street Address:

Phone Number:

E-mail Address:

Please return this form to:

Frederick County – Smoke Free Maryland Coalition Frederick Co Health Department 350 Montevue Lane Frederick, MD 21702 301-600-1755



#### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Frederick County Smoke-Free Maryland Coalition is to develop an annual Comprehensive Tobacco Use Prevention plan for Frederick County. The local plan should include the following:

- Realistic short-term objectives that are challenging and sufficient to achieve established long term objectives.
- Strategies to help prevent the initiation of tobacco use among young people.
- Strategies to help eliminate exposure to environmental tobacco smoke.
- ✓ Strategies to help reduce tobacco use among women, minorities, and youth.
- Strategies to increase the availability of, and access to cessation programs for uninsured individuals & medically underserved population.

## History of the Coalition

The current Frederick County - Smoke-Free Maryland Coalition formed in 1996 with the purpose of reducing tobacco use among our citizens and reducing the consequences related to its use.

Founded in 2000 as the result of House Bill 1425 and Senate Bill 896, the Maryland General Assembly created the Cigarette Restitution Fund (CRF) Program with funds derived from the 1998 Master Tobacco Settlement Agreement with the tobacco industry. The goal of the CRF Program is to implement strategies to reduce the burden of tobacco related disease in Maryland, with a specific emphasis on tobacco use prevention and cessation and cancer prevention, early detection, and treatment. As a result of the CRF Program, Maryland has created focused tobacco-use prevention and cessation programs, cancer prevention, education, and screening programs, cancer research programs, and a strong statewide network of cancer and tobacco local community health coalitions.

#### **Coalition Goals:**

- ✓ Preventing the initiation of tobacco use among young people
- Promoting quitting among adults and young people
- ✓ Eliminating exposure to environment tobacco smoke
- Identifying and eliminating tobacco use related disparities